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	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	NOON	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.
Kowloon	6.41	8.35	9.15	10.28	12.00	1.18	4.34	5.37
Yanmat	6.51	8.45	9.25	10.38	12.10	1.27	4.43	5.37
Shatin	7.03	8.57	9.37	10.50	12.21	1.39	4.55	5.50
Taipei	7.17	9.11	9.51	11.03	12.34	1.52	5.08	6.03
Taipei Market	7.23	9.17	9.57	11.09	12.38	1.56	5.12	6.07
Fanling	7.33	9.27	10.07	11.19	12.48	2.06	5.23	6.17
Shung Shui	7.38	9.32	10.12	11.23	12.53	2.10	5.27	6.21
Shum Chun	7.44	9.38	10.18	11.29	12.58	2.16	5.33	6.27

	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	A.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.	P.M.
Shum Chun	7.22	8.06	9.28	10.37	11.40	2.58	4.36	5.12
Shung Shui	7.29	8.13	9.34	10.44	11.47	3.05	4.44	5.19
Fanling	7.38	8.18	9.38	10.48	11.51	3.10	4.49	5.23
Taipei Market	7.48	8.29	9.48	10.58	12.03	3.21	5.01	5.38
Taipei	7.47	8.34	9.53	11.03	12.07	3.27	5.08	5.37
Shatin	8.00	8.47	10.25	11.16	12.21	3.40	5.23	5.50
Yanmat	8.14	8.59	10.38	11.28	12.34	3.53	5.37	6.02
Kowloon	8.23	9.09	10.46	11.36	12.42	4.01	5.45	6.10

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SEQUEL TO SERIES OF KOWLOON
BURGLARIES.

Carlos Santos, a youth living at 40, Parke Street, was sentenced to terms of imprisonment with hard labour amounting to one year at the Magistracy yesterday morning on charges of burglary.

There were four counts against prisoner, all relative to the theft of ornaments. The victims were Mr. M. J. Pereira, 9, Chatham Road; Miss Gomes, 3, Chatham Road; Mr. Herridge, 3, Aimai Villas, and Mr. Bennett, 13, Chatham Road. Most of the stolen property had been recovered.

Sergeant Doring applied for a remand in order to trace an accomplice.

Prisoner, who pleaded guilty, elected, however, to be dealt with summarily, and was sentenced to imprisonment with hard labour as set out above.

CANTON MUNICIPAL AFFAIRS

THE MAYOR'S PLANS.

Mr. Sun Fo, the Mayor of Canton, made a statement and outlined his programme at a meeting of the Municipal Council last week. The *Canton Gazette* gives the following digest of it:—

Finance.—Owing to the unsettled state of affairs and the numerous battles fought last year, the revenues of the Municipality were somewhat deficient, but fortunately the sum of six million dollars was collected from the sale of government lands that had been in connection with the Municipality for last year were met. The total revenues collected from March to December amounted to eight and a half million dollars. Six millions went to the General Headquarters, one and a half million to the Police Department, and one million for Public Health, Education, Public Works, Public Utilities and other administrative expenses. With the centralization of revenue collection, the Municipality this year is relieved of the responsibility of caring for the expenses of the army, so that the stoppage of funds from the sale of Government lands will not affect the financial situation at all. This every effort will be made to carry out the following measures:

Public Works.—(a) Koon Yam San to be turned into a residential district; (b) opening of six maloes (thoroughfares) in Saikwan; (c) opening up of Saki maloes; (d) improvement of Tungshan maloe. A good part of the expenses will be met by owners of properties adjoining the maloes. The construction of maloes in Honan, the reclamation project at the Bund, and the opening up of a few other big maloes will have to be postponed for this year.

Public Health.—The Sanitary fee brings in \$12,000 monthly and the night soil \$8,000. The total sum is sufficient to defray the expenses of the Health Department. A sum of \$100,000 must be raised for an adequate City Hospital.

Education.—The Restaurant tax is expected to yield \$300,000 a year for educational expenses; \$25,000 a month is set aside for the Educational Department from the proceeds of the Vehicle tax. Public free schools will be provided as far as possible beginning with the No. 3 Police Ward. Eighty classes will be provided and an enrolment of 3,000 students is expected. The total amount of \$300,000 collected from the restaurants will be spent for the eighty classes in this ward. It is hoped that within five years every ward will be amply provided with free public education.

THE PHILIPPINE NATIONAL BANK LOSSES

AUDITORS' REPORT.

Losses of the Philippine National Bank up to December 31st, 1923, are estimated at P.7,691,000, according to data being prepared by Insular Auditor Ben. F. Wright for the information of Provincial Governors and Treasurers. Its losses have absorbed P.35,300,000 of capital stock and P.39,391,000 out of P.39,987,080.78 Insular Government deposits, figures show.

Only P.576,589.78 of the Government's deposits have not been wiped out by the tremendous deficits incurred by the bank, provincial executives are to be told.

"It is, therefore, evident that, based upon the opinions of one of the best firms of chartered accountants in the United States and upon the reports of expert Federal Reserve and National Bank Examiners, the entire investment of the Government and private stockholders in the bank has been lost and in addition the Insular Government has lost all of its P.39,987,080.78 deposits except the small sum of P.576,589.78," reads in part Mr. Wright's report.

SUGAR DEBIT CROW.

Indebtedness of the six bank sugar centrals has increased since 1921 instead of diminishing as has generally been understood, the Insular Auditor's statement shows. Total indebtedness of the centrals on December 31st, 1921, was P.39,393,278.60 against P.44,989,161.38 on November 1st, 1923, which shows an increase of P.6,629,884.78. Expenses incurred by the centrals for extensions are included in the amount.

During 1923 the bank's deficit is given as P.8,888,793.30. Its total earnings amounted to P.4,497,431.03 against a total expense of P.5,216,378.06 which shows a net deficit of P.718,947.03 which added to losses written off in the sum of P.8,169,846.29 makes a total deficit of P.8,888,793.30. The bank's condition improved during 1923. Its total income amounted to P.7,003,930.51 and its expenses were P.4,230,330.50. Its net earnings for the year amounted to P.2,767,599.95, but losses written off in the sum of P.3,415,335.65, thus resulting in a net deficit of P.648,135.70 in deficit. *Manila Times*.

As will be seen from an advertisement appearing in the back page of this issue, the British-American Tobacco Co. (China), Ltd., are placing on the local market a new cigarette under the name of "Golden Specials." This brand is very mild and sweet in flavour, and being wrapped in silver foil and enclosed in hermetically sealed tins containing only twenty-five cigarettes, freshness is assured from first to last in spite of our damp climate.

THE RACE MEETING.

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Sir Paul	6	6	3
Mrs. Bernard	5	2	0
Lady Severn	4	3	1
Messrs. Stephen & Stitt	4	3	0
Messrs. Morris and Marshall	3	2	1
Mr. C. C. Boyd	3	0	2
Mr. H. Birkett	2	1	1
Mr. Bagram	2	0	1
Messrs. Dyer & Bell	1	3	1
Mr. A. H. Carroll	1	2	3
Lady Chater	1	1	1
Mr. Peta	1	1	0
Mr. Topside	1	0	3
Mr. Seth	1	0	0
Mr. Lopes	1	0	0
Mr. Goodie	1	0	0
Mr. H. Humphrey	0	4	2
Mr. Lobel	0	3	0
Mr. R. M. Dyer	0	2	0
Mr. John Peel	0	1	4
Mr. Relyon	0	1	1
Mr. Alves	0	1	0
Mr. J. J. Wilson	0	1	0
Capt. Oxborough	0	1	0
Mr. Kakehish	0	0	2
Mr. Basto	0	0	2
Mr. McKeth	0	0	2
Messrs. Soares d'Almada and Remedios	0	0	1
Mr. Bill	0	0	1
Mr. Alvanton	0	0	1
Mr. de Jong	0	0	1

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	1st.	2nd.	3rd.
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Mr. Brand	7	3	1
Mr. Vida	4	4	3
Mr. Gibson	4	4	2
Mr. Harriman	4	3	4
Mr. Zellensky	4	2	4
Mr. Knoll	3	7	5
Mr. Charles	3	3	5
Mr. Burkill	3	2	5
Mr. Moller	1	5	4
Mr. Soares	1	1	2
Mr. Davies	1	0	2
Mr. Matham	0	2	0
Mr. Bauid	0	1	1
Mr. Sewell	0	1	1
Mr. Seth	0	1	1
Mr. Potts	0	1	1
Mr. Label	0	1	0
Capt. Hall	0	0	1

SPORT.

INTERPORT SHOOTING.

SHANGHAI SCOTTISH DEFEAT HONGKONG SCOTTISH.

Shanghai Scottish defeated Hongkong Scottish on Saturday at Interport Rifle shooting. Shanghai's total, which was wired from the North on Sunday, was 944 whilst that of Hongkong was 833. The following are the Hongkong scores:—

Corpl. Goodman	97
Lieut. Logan	86
Pte. Swan	85
Pte. Carrie	85
Pte. Cudhill	81
Corpl. Smyth	79
Lieut. Ralston	74
Pte. Hope	73
Corpl. Young	71
Corpl. Greig	60
Total	833

CRICKET

C.S.C.C. 1st XI. v. UNIVERSITY.

The following will represent the University 1st XI in a League match against the Navy 1st XI on the University ground to-morrow at 2.15 p.m.:—E. K. Quick, M. H. Roffey, A. S. Hett, R. A. Ponsby, Fane, W. M. Gittins, A. A. Rumjahn (capt.), H. N. Balbetchet, T. O. Yeow, M. B. Osman, D. Laing and B. P. Ng.

The 1st XI friendly match v. Garrison has been scratched owing to the members of the Garrison team having camp and manoeuvres on that day.

UNIVERSITY v. NAVY.

The following will represent the Civil Service Cricket Club in this League match on the Civil Service ground at 2.15 p.m., on Saturday, March 1st:—A. E. Wood (capt.), G. R. Sayer, R. E. O. Bird, A. R. Sutherland, J. H. B. Nihill, E. B. Reed, B. D. Evans, F. J. Ling, F. H. Holdman, F. Baker and R. C. Witchell.

THE HONGKONG YARN MARKET.

Messrs. Polihwalla & Kotewall, cotton and brokers, of Hongkong, in their monthly circular, say:—

Since January 20th our market has remained steady and on the advent of the Chinese New Year, a moderate business in No. 10s was done, principally for the Yunnan market, whilst some selected chops secured an advance of \$1 to \$2 per bale. On the other hand, No. 12s have continued in poor request, only a few bales changing hands at previous rates.

The latest advices from Bombay give quotations there as being about \$4 higher than those ruling here. Many of the mills still remain closed.

The tone of our market, at the close, is weaker, owing to the decline of American cotton.

Total sales, 2,000 bales. Unsold stocks, 9,000 bales. Bargains in Chinese hands, 2,100 bales.

Shanghai.—In the early part of the interval, prices were quite firm, but a decline of Tls. 2 to Tls. 3 is reported at the close.

Japanese Yarn.—In the early part of the interval there was an advance of \$6 per bale, but latterly owing to decline in American cotton, prices have lowered, \$6 per bale.

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CRIMINAL SESSIONS.

[REPORE HIS HONOUR MR. JUSTICE COMPERTZ
(THE PRISON JUDGE).]THE PIRACY OF THE S.S.
"KA NGO."

ALLEGED PIRATES ON TRIAL.

THE PIRATES' DEN AT YAU MATI.

An interesting story of the piracy of an Amoy steamship, the *Ka Ngo*, was unfolded yesterday morning when (Cheung Kai, Lau Chi Sang, Ng Tai and Chan Leung Cheun, were indicted for piracy on the *Ka Ngo* and for unlawfully having in their possession a quantity of property stolen aboard the ship and a firearm. A Chinese woman, Wong Yi Mui, was also indicted for being in possession of a dagger and stolen property. The jurors empaneled for the case were: Messrs. J. C. Barrett, for the crown, and A. L. Kay, L. D. McNicol, Chou Ping-on, M. A. Castro, A. D. Demme and R. Matheson.

The Attorney-General, opened his case by stating that he would call 24 witnesses for the crown, adding that there were over 50 exhibits in the case. The piracy, he said, took place on the s.s. *Ka Ngo* which plied between Amoy and Chun Chow, a place 12 hours' run to the North of Amoy. On the 5th December last the ship left Amoy for Chun Chow about 7 a.m., carrying a crew of 23 persons, including the ship's staff, and about 400 passengers. Among the passengers were a number of merchants from Java and Singapore, going back to their homes in Fookien. There were also a number of pig dealers on board.

At about 11.30 a.m., when the *Ka Ngo* was 12 miles out of Amoy, about 20 pirates took possession of the ship. Shots were fired, but, fortunately, no one was killed nor even wounded. The coxswain and boatswain were ordered to turn the ship about and she was steered 200 miles south during the 5th and 6th December. On the early morning of the 7th December the pirates fired shots into the air and junks and sampans came alongside and the pirates and their loot were taken ashore. This was probably in the vicinity of Bias Bay. After the pirates had left, the coxswain took the ship back to Amoy. Ten passengers had given evidence at the Police Court and eight of them would give evidence in this Court. They would state that their losses amounted to \$30,000, but it was impossible to say what the total losses were, as there were about 400 passengers. About half the amount of money stolen was in "Yuan Shi Ki" dollars whilst the passengers also had a great quantity of jewellery stolen.

The sequel to the piracy came on the 11th December, when the second and third prisoners were pointed out to a Chinese detective in Yau mati. The detective trailed the two prisoners from Yau mati to Hongkong where he lost all trace of them for a brief period. He later found them again in the Wing On Store and with the aid of some European police he arrested them. When searched the second prisoner was found to be in possession of two gold watches and appendages, a gold wrist watch and a gold finger ring. The third prisoner had in his possession a gold wrist watch, a Dutch coin, two silver dollars and \$700 in notes. This man gave his address as Portland Street, Yau mati, but the people there knew nothing about him. The second prisoner gave his address as 216, Canton Road, second floor. The police there found the woman prisoner and the one prisoner now in the dock. Underneath one of the beds was found a dagger, and the woman was charged with unlawful possession of it. A box was found in the rear cubicle, and the woman who claimed possession of it produced the key. In it was found a quantity of jewellery, which the Attorney-General said formed "a nice selection of the loot." One of the rings was a five-circle ring of the snake pattern. This had been identified by one of the passengers as having been stolen during the piracy. Another ring in this box had also been identified by another pirated passenger as his property, and in both cases the claimants to the rings could produce bills of purchase for the rings. In her possession were found \$950 in Hongkong currency notes and four rolls of Fookien notes to the face value of \$680. Altogether \$2,951 was found on the premises.

The decision I gave was absolutely correct and the only possible one. I only let the fight go as far as it did as both men were such obvious novices. All my colleagues agreed with my decision. I must therefore ask you to contradict this statement of yours.—Yours, etc., T. I. SCOTT BELL, Lieut. R.N.

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The case was adjourned.

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LOCAL STEAMER AGROUND.

S.S. "CHONGVA" GOES ASHORE
IN HEAVY FOG.

The news reached Hongkong yesterday of the stranding of the s.s. *Chongva*, off Hainan Island. The vessel left Hongkong on the 18th inst. on a voyage to Hoihow. Two days later she encountered a heavy fog and she was driven ashore off Mofu Point by the strong current. The ship's propeller was snapped off during the stranding but there is not much fear of the vessel breaking up. The chief danger to the vessel is from pirates who infest the coast. The master of the vessel, Captain Pessanha, a Portuguese, put ashore and, accompanied by a number of the crew, made for the nearest village where he met with a friendly reception from the villagers, who supplied him with guards for the protection of the vessel and arranged for the personal safety of the members of the crew. Later arrangements were made for the accommodation of the Captain and Chief Officer (a Chinese) and a few of the crew in the village whilst the rest of the crew were taken by a guide overland to Hoihow, two days' journey away. On the 23rd inst. 33 of the crew were shipped back to Hongkong by the s.s. *Kuara*, which arrived in Hongkong on Sunday evening.

It is probable that the owners will arrange for a Hongkong tug to be despatched to the scene of the stranding for the purpose of salvaging the vessel. The s.s. *Chongva* flies the Portuguese flag. She belongs to the Hing Lee S.S. Co., of No. 49, Des Vaux Road West. She formerly belonged to the China Navigation Company and was then known as the s.s. *Neichwang*. She was built in 1877 by Messrs. Scott & Co., of Greenock, and her gross tonnage is 955 tons.

RADIO WONDERS EXPLAINED

LECTURES BY PROF. C. H.
ROBERTSON.

Professor C. H. Robertson, who has been chief of the Y.M.C.A. Lecture Department in China for the past fifteen years or so, expounded the wonders of wireless telephony and telegraphy at the Chinese Y.M.C.A. yesterday afternoon. His audience was comprised of students from Queen's College, the Diocesan Boys' School, and St. Joseph's College. The auditorium was packed with eager-faced lads. On the platform was installed a complete wireless, telephone outfit, the intricacies of which Prof. Robertson explained in simple language which held the students' whole attention. This was the first of a series of radio lectures which the Professor and his assistant, Mr. Horne, are to give at the Y.M.C.A. This afternoon the boys from St. Stephen's College and the Ying Wah School will attend, on other afternoons scholars from other schools in the Colony will be invited. On Thursday and the next two evenings special talks on radio matters will be given for the benefit of business men and other adults interested in the subject, and Professor Robertson also intends to deliver a series of more technical lectures dealing with generation, detecting, tuning, and the measuring of electric magnetic waves. The first of this series will be held at the Y.M.C.A. this evening at 8 o'clock.

CORRESPONDENCE.

A BOXING REFEREE'S
DECISION.[TO THE EDITOR OF THE "HONGKONG
DAILY PRESS."]H.M.S. 135,
February 25th, 1924.

SIR,—I am writing re an article in your paper of above date.

Describing a fight which I refereed at the Police Boxing, you state that the decision was "neither popular nor fair." The first does not bother me but the latter does.

I am a qualified I.S.B.A. referee with plenty of experience of boxing, having won five championships myself.

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COMPANY MEETING.

HONGKONG AND KOWLOON WHARF
AND GODOWN CO., LTD.

The thirty-seventh ordinary annual meeting of shareholders of the above Company was held yesterday morning in the Board Room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson & Co., Ltd., Mr. D. G. M. Bernard presiding. Other directors present were Hon. Sir Paul Chater, C.M.G., Hon. Mr. A. O. Lang, Messrs. A. S. D. Cousland, Allan Cameron, J. P. Warren, O. I. Ellis, and A. S. Gubbay, together with Mr. W. S. Brown (secretary). Shareholders were represented by Messrs. J. T. Lagrang, P. Testor, F. A. Crapnell, F. Ellis, L. Tobias, J. M. Alves, A. H. Carroll, V. Yvanovich, W. Logan, P. C. Potts, C. H. W. Kew, Lau Mok Lin, A. Nissim, Kelly Sayce and Lee Pang Sun.

The CHAIRMAN, in proposing the adoption of the report, said:—The balance available for appropriation, including the sum of \$33,483.86 brought forward from the previous year, is \$1,000,819.20. Your Directors recommend dealing with the amount as follows:—

Pay a dividend of 8s per share absorbing.....	450,000.00
Pay a bonus of 8s per share absorbing.....	240,000.00
Transfer to equalisation of dividend fund.....	50,000.00
Carry forward to new a/c.....	260,819.20
	\$1,000,819.20

and I trust this will meet with your approval.

The typhoons in July and August last caused considerable damage to our property, chiefly to the roofs of the godowns, to the West Point wharves, and to the Praya at Kowloon. The total cost of the repairs was \$74,255.43. Of this amount, \$21,401.84 was recovered under the insurance, and the balance of \$52,853.59 has been debited to profit and loss account. The damage would undoubtedly have been greater had we not received warning on each occasion in ample time to get our launches and lighters away to shelter. We have recently contracted with the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co. for the construction of a short, powerful tug, to assist in berthing steamers. It will also be used for towing lighters.

Arrangements have been made with the Government for the continuation of the siding from the Railway station into our premises. The work has been put in hand and will shortly be completed. To enable us to take care of heavy Railway or other material, an order has been placed for a locomotive steam crane capable of lifting up to 25 tons. This siding will place us in a favourable position for expeditiously handling any class of cargo to or from the Railway.

The work at the wharves has increased materially both in regard to the number of ships and tonnage of cargo, and the question of further wharfage accommodation is engaging the attention of your Directors.

There have been rumours from time to time that we had disposed of the timber yard. We have not done so, and perhaps it will interest shareholders if I state the position. Two years ago it became obvious that a larger area than we had available for timber was necessary, and negotiations were begun with the Government for another site. So far nothing has been arranged, but I believe and hope that we shall be able to secure a suitable site in the near future. Meantime, it has been necessary to erect a large area of railway property to store the timber that could not be accommodated in the yard. I am unable to say whether all or any of our land will be sold when it is no longer required for timber. But it is quite possible that your Directors may decide to retain all of it, as we find the ground floor area on our Marine Lots is insufficient for our needs, and expansion is only possible on the land now used for timber.

The Hon. Sir PAUL CHATER seconded the adoption of the report and accounts.

A SHAREHOLDER'S QUESTIONS.

Mr. Kelly Sayce, a shareholder, thereupon asked a number of questions, as follows:—

Mr. SAYCE: I would like to ask one or two questions with regard to the accounts. I see in your balance sheet that we had sundry creditors amounting to \$451,965. Can you give an explanation to me as to why we had such a large amount when we had about a million dollars in the Bank? What is that \$400,000 odd owed for?

The CHAIRMAN: It is rather difficult for me to say now what the sundry creditors are, but if you care to come over to the office some time you can see exactly what they are. No doubt the money is for coal and various things like that; accounts due for payment which had not been paid by December 31st, when the accounts were made up. I am afraid I cannot give you details now.

Mr. SAYCE: I see by the balance sheet that we have expended to date \$40,759.25, leaving a credit balance of \$59,240.75 on our special Repair Fund of \$100,000 which we had last year. Can you tell me on what portion of the Company's property that money has been spent? As we see by the balance sheet we have spent \$52,000 odd on typhoon damage, and I would like to know what this \$40,000 odd has been spent on?

The CHAIRMAN: The amount \$100,000 for Special Repair Fund was set aside mostly for the reconditioning of lighters, and this amount of \$40,000 has been spent almost entirely on reconditioning lighters.

Mr. SAYCE: We were told just now about rumours regarding the sale of our timber yard. Will you give us the reason why we should not sell at the present moment, and can you tell us what offers have been received?

The CHAIRMAN: We have received no offers. I said that from time to time there had been rumours, but there have been no offers and we have not disposed of it.

Mr. SAYCE: Can you please tell me if any offer is made if there is any reason why we should refuse to sell?

The CHAIRMAN: But there has been no offer.

Mr. SAYCE: Only rumours!

The CHAIRMAN: Yes.

Mr. SAYCE: Do you think that the money which we are earning in the storage of timber justifies us in keeping such a valuable piece of land and in not selling it while the boom is on? I am sure the earnings is too small to justify us to keep it.

The CHAIRMAN: The timber is an essential item of our business and if we give up the timber yard we shall be giving up a part of our business. You may equally well ask why we do not sell some other part of our property. Our business is that of a wharf and godown company and all the property that we have got we use for that purpose and we cannot afford to give it up to go elsewhere.

Mr. SAYCE: It is rumoured that we have already acquired temporarily in Kowloon a piece of land on the railway property for the storage of timber in future. Is there any truth in that?

The CHAIRMAN: We have been leasing part of the railway property for about two years for the storage of timber. We are using both for the timber trade, but we have not bought the railway land—we are only leasing it.

Mr. SAYCE: I see there is a large decrease in our earnings last year. To what do you attribute that falling off? We had more steamers at the wharf. What is the reason for the falling off in earnings when we had more steamers and more business?

The CHAIRMAN: As the result of the strike in the early part of 1923 we had enormous receipts for storage. The actual figures were: For 1923 for storage and godown rent, \$938,000; and for 1922, \$807,000; whereas for wharf work in 1923 we earned \$715,000 and in 1922 we earned by the same way \$369,000.

Mr. SAYCE: It is rumoured also that you contemplate selling some of the godowns at West Point. Is there any truth in that rumour?

The CHAIRMAN: Well, I am afraid I am not responsible for the rumours that are circulated. These rumours do not emanate from the Board of Directors and the people who circulate rumours ought to be responsible for them.

Mr. SAYCE: Have you any idea of selling them? This is a boom time and we ought to take advantage of it. Some of these godowns are empty and we ought to take the profit while we can.

The CHAIRMAN: If you can provide us with equally satisfactory accommodation at something like half the price, I think we should be very glad to sell and move into cheaper premises.

Mr. SAYCE: I would like to suggest in the interests of shareholders that the Directors follow the example of other directors and publish the figures of the proposed dividend—subject to audit—on the same day as they hold the meeting. I see that the meeting was held on January 31st, and shareholders knew nothing until the report was sent out on the 12th of February. The printers knew all about the report before me. Other companies publish their figures.

The CHAIRMAN: Well, apparently it has not been the custom to do so.

Mr. SAYCE: I know it has not been the custom, but I think shareholders ought to know before the report goes out.

The CHAIRMAN: It has not been the custom to do so in the past, but if shareholders wish it, I see no reason why we should not publish the Directors' proposals on the same day as the meeting. Is it your wish that that should be done?

Mr. SAYCE: If the shareholders would like it, it is not for me to say. I only make the suggestion. I have no more questions.

There were no further questions and the report and accounts were then unanimously adopted.

The CHAIRMAN then put the resolution for the adoption of the report and accounts. This was carried without dissent.

Mr. BAGHAM proposed, and Dr. C. H. W. Kew seconded, that the appointment of Messrs. Allan Cameron, A. S. Gubbay, O. I. Ellis and J. P. Warren as directors be confirmed. The resolution was carried.

Mr. TESTOR proposed and Mr. PERRY seconded that the Hon. A. O. Lang and Mr. Allan Cameron be re-elected directors. The proposal was carried.

Mr. ELLIS proposed and Mr. KELLY SAYCE seconded that Mr. C. Bernard Brown, A.C.A., and Mr. H. Percy Smith, F.C.A., be re-appointed auditors at the remuneration of \$700 each. This was agreed to.

COMPANY REPORT.

THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC CO.,
LIMITED.

The report of the Board of Directors states:—

Your Directors have pleasure in submitting the accompanying Statement of the Company's accounts for the ten months ended 31st December, 1923.

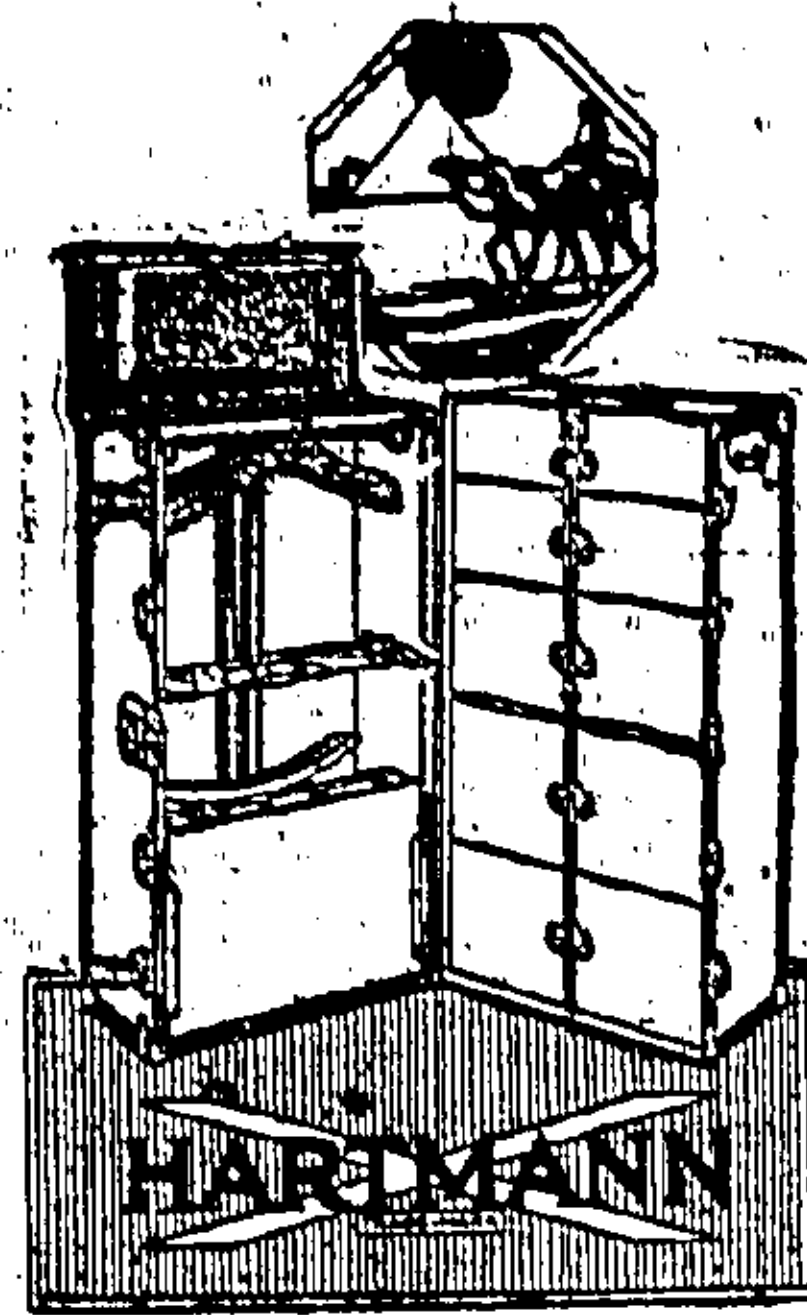
The balance at credit of profit and loss account available for appropriation, after allowing for depreciation is \$373,351.14 and your Directors recommend that this be disposed of as follows:—

To pay a dividend of 8s per share on 290,533 shares.....	\$374,603.75
To place to reserve.....	350,000.00
To carry forward to next account.....	148,757.39
	\$873,361.14

Directors.—Mr. T. G. Weall resigned from the Board on leaving the Colony and Mr. J. P. Warren was appointed to the vacant seat. This appointment requires the confirmation of shareholders.

In accordance with the Articles of Association Hon. Sir O. P. Chater, C.M.G., LL.D., and Sir Robert Ho Tung, K.C., retire, but being eligible, offer themselves for re-election.

Auditor.—The accounts have been audited by Mr. O. Bernard Brown, A.C.A., who retires, but offers himself for re-election.



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THE Owners of the "HONAM" invite
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of this vessel, either for breaking up purposes
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Conditions of Sale which may be inspected at
the Company's Office or at the Office of the
Company's Solicitors, Messrs. DAWSON, HARRIS
& SAMPSON, Hongkong.
The Company does not bind itself to accept
the highest or any tender.
By Order of the Board of Directors,
JOHN ARNOLD,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 19th February, 1924. [385]

A FANCY DRESS BALL

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INTIMATIONS

HONGKONG TRAMWAYS LTD.

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NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the
ORDINARY YEARLY GENERAL
MEETING of the HONGKONG TRAM-
WAYS, LIMITED, will be held at the Office
of Messrs. JARDINE, MATHESON & COMPANY,
LIMITED, on WEDNESDAY, the 27th day
of FEBRUARY, 1924, at 12 o'clock Noon,
to transact the Ordinary Business of the
Company.

By Order of the Board,
W. E. ROBERTS,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 19th February, 1924. [384]

THE HONGKONG ROPE MANU-

FACTURING CO., LTD.

THE FORTIETH ORDINARY AN-
NUAL MEETING OF SHARE-
HOLDERS in the above Company will be
held at St. George's Buildings, Chater Road,
Victoria, on THURSDAY, the 28th FEB-
RUARY, 1924, at 11 o'clock A.M. for the
purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts
and the Report of the General Managers for
the year ending 31st December, 1923, and
electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Com-
pany will be CLOSED on Thursday, the
28th February, 1924, until Thursday, 28th
February, 1924, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 9th February, 1924. [349]

THE HONGKONG ELECTRIC CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the
THIRTY-FIFTH ORDINARY
GENERAL MEETING will be held at the
Company's Office, St. George's Buildings,
on MONDAY, 2nd MARCH, 1924, at 11 A.M.
for the purpose of presenting the Report of
the Directors together with a Statement of
Accounts to 31st December, 1923, and elect-
ing Directors and Auditors.
The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Com-
pany will be CLOSED from 23rd February
to 3rd March, 1924, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
GIBB, LIVINGSTON & CO., LTD.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 12th February, 1924. [347]

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT CO., LTD.

THE THIRTY FIFTH ORDINARY
SHAREHOLDERS in the Company will be
held at the Office of the Company, St.
George's Buildings, Chater Road, Victoria,
Hongkong, on TUESDAY, the 4th MARCH,
1924, at 11 o'clock in the Forenoon, for
the purpose of receiving a Statement of Account
and Report of the Directors for the year end-
ing 31st December, 1923, and electing a
Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from Tuesday, the 19th
February, 1924, until Tuesday, the 4th day
of March, 1924, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
SHEWAN, TOMES & CO.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 11th February, 1924. [346]

UNION WATERBOAT CO., LTD.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE NINETEENTH ANNUAL GEN-
ERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLD-
ERS will be held in the Office of Messrs.
DODWELL & CO., LTD., on THURSDAY,
the 28th MARCH, 1924, at 11 A.M. for the
purpose of receiving a Report of the General
Managers together with a Statement of Accounts
to 31st December, 1923.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company
will be CLOSED from the 22nd February, to
8th March, 1924, both days inclusive.

DODWELL & CO., LTD.,
General Managers.

27th [379]

NOTICE.

AN EXAMINATION will be held Shortly
for the Post of a BOY WRITER in
H.M. NAVAL YARD, Commencing Pay \$35 a
month.

Candidates must be over 15 and under 19
Years of Age on 1st March, 1924, and Applica-
tions to compete should be in Candidates'
Own Handwriting and should reach the Civil
Secretary, H.M. NAVAL YARD, Not Later
than the 8th MARCH.

Subjects of Examination—Arithmetic (in-
cluding totals), Dictation and Handwriting.

S. COLLETT,
Civil Secretary.

H.M. Naval Yard,
Hongkong, 23rd February, 1924. [393]

CONTRACTORS' PLANT.

ON Completion of Pui Wharves and
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Hongkong, 23rd February, 1924. [397]

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

THE PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL

STEAM NAVIGATION CO.'S STEAMER

"KHYBER."

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CONSIGNEES of Cargo by the above-
named vessel are hereby informed
that their Goods are being landed and
placed at risk at the Hongkong and
Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's
Godowns at Kowloon, where each consignment
will be sorted out mark by mark and delivery
can be obtained as the Goods are landed.

Optional goods will be landed here unless
instructions have been given to the con-
trary six hours before arrival of the steam-
er.

Goods not cleared within 8 days, including
date of arrival will be subject to rent.

No Fire Insurance will be effected by us in
any case whatever.

Damaged packages must be left in the
Godowns for examination by the Consignees, and
the Company's Surveyors, Messrs. GODDARD
& DOUGLAS, at 10 A.M. on Mondays and
Thursdays.

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of the Steamer's arrival here, after which date
they cannot be recognized.

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have left the Godown.

MACKINNON, MACKENZIE & CO.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 22nd February, 1924. [395]

"ELLERMAN LINE."

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

FROM BREMEN, HAMBURG,

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THE Steamship

"CITY OF YORK"

having arrived from above mentioned ports,
Consignees of Cargo by her are hereby
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where delivery may be obtained.

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are to be left in the Godowns where they
will be examined by the Holt's Wharf on any
Tuesday and/or Friday between the hours of
10.45 a.m. and Noon within the free storage
period.

No claims will be admitted after the Goods
have left the Godowns and Cargo remaining
undelivered on and after Thursday, 28th
February, 1924, will be subject to rent.

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presented to the Underwriter on or before
8th March, 1924, otherwise it will not be
recognized.

No Fire Insurance whatever will be
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Average Bond must be signed and a deposit
of 5% on net arrived market value of Cargo
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Hongkong, 22nd February, 1924. [394]

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BIRTH.

WHITELOCK.—At Shanghai, on February

19th, to Mr. and Mrs. WHITELOCK, a

daughter.

DEATHS.

LANGLEY-SMITH.—At Shanghai, on Feb.

19th, NELSON HUGHES LANGLEY-

SMITH, son of William Langley-Smith,

of Wotton Hill House, Gloucester,

England, aged 32 years.

WORCESTER.—In England, on February

20th, WILLIAM GILBERT WORCESTER,

son of the late Captain Worcester. [403]

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The Daily Press.

HONGKONG, FEBRUARY 26TH, 1924.

SOCIAL EVIL IN THE EAST.

We reproduced the other day a lengthy

paragraph from a London paper regard-

ing the "revelation" of a condition of

affairs in Hongkong in connection with

"the recognition of prostitution by the

authorities in Hongkong and the exercise

of a certain measure of control over it."

"As this recognition and control have

existed for many years past, it cannot be

said to reveal much to anybody acquaint-

ed with the Colony. The interest of the

paragraph lies in the attempt to work

up an agitation to suppress this official

recognition and control. The advent

of a Labour Government to power in

Great Britain is evidently deemed a

fitting opportunity to press the con-

sideration of the subject. Whether

the new Government will reverse the

policy sanctioned by its predecessors

in office, we think, extremely doubtful.

It would certainly be unwise. They will

have more than one excuse for consid-

ering the unsavoury subject, for the Govern-

ment of the Straits Settlements has just

drafted a bill providing for the registra-

CABLES.

LATEST CABLES.
[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]SELF-GOVERNMENT FOR INDIA.
BRITISH CABINET'S ATTITUDE DEFINED.London, February 24th.
A most important statement regarding India will be made in the House of Lords on February 26th.

In view of the Sawarnjists' demand for a round-table conference, with the object of achieving immediate self-government, it is understood that the Government is prepared to sanction an inquiry into working reforms, but in a form different from a round-table conference.

The Cabinet is not disposed to depart from the principles embodied in the Government of India Act.

EGYPTIAN COTTON MILL STRIKE SETTLED.
WORKERS EVACUATE COTTON SEED CAKE FACTORY.ALEXANDRIA, February 24th.
The Sittouk strikers have resumed work. Five leaders were taken back, and the workers' lawyer recognised on the responsibility of the Government.

The owners' repudiation of these men was the direct cause of the outbreak.

The workers evacuated the Egoon cotton seed cake factory, which has been occupied by the police pending negotiations.

EARLIER CABLES.
DOCKERS TO RESUME WORK.
STEVEDORES' STRIKE CONTINUES.London, February 24th.
A mass meeting of Hull dockers overwhelmingly passed a resolution in favour of the acceptance of the employers' offer. The Newcastle and Bristol strikers have also voted in favour of acceptance.
In addition, a meeting of five thousand Liverpool dockers enthusiastically agreed to accept the employers' offer. There were only three dissentients; and an overflow meeting of fifteen hundred was unanimous in favour of acceptance.

A Glasgow dockers' mass meeting has also overwhelmingly favoured acceptance of the employers' offer.

Meetings of members of the Stevedores' Union at Poplar and Canning Town have decided on a continued strike pending a settlement of their demand for an increase by half a crown a day, and twenty-five per cent. on piece-work rates.

LATER.
Yesterday's mass meetings of dockers throughout the country without exception decided in favour of resumption, which is thus inevitable to-morrow except in the case of the stevedores, whose Union claims 25,000 members, mostly in London.RUMOURED REVOLUTION IN BULGARIA.
COMMUNISTS ALLEGED TO HAVE CONTROL.ATHENS, February 24th.
The newspapers publish rumours that a Communist revolution has broken out in Bulgaria and that a republic has been established. The rumours add that King Boris has been sent to the country and that the Premier and certain ministers have been murdered. No confirmation is obtainable from official sources.OFFICIAL DENIAL.
PARIS, February 25th.
The Bulgarian Legation denies the report of a revolution in Bulgaria.THE WESTMINSTER FATALITY.
VICTIMS IDENTIFIED.London, February 24th.
The woman killed through falling from Westminster Cathedral has been identified as Mrs. Davey, of Hammersmith.
The children killed were her two daughters aged four and eight years.
The woman is said to have left a note to her husband saying she was tired of life.

PROPOSED REVISION OF PEACE TREATY.

MR. HENDERSON AND MR. WILSON'S POLICY.

London, February 24th.

Mr. Arthur Henderson at a by-election speech at Burnley declared that the peace treaties had failed and the Government's task was to arrest the demoralisation and prevent further economic ruin, and establish real peace, restore trade and commerce and place them on such a firm foundation that never again would civilisation be threatened with a similar experience. Therefore it must insist on a revision of the Treaty of Versailles as soon as possible, and a solution of the problem of reparations. The Premier was trying to create the necessary atmosphere, and he was hopeful that steps would be taken through a world conference or the League of Nations, or both, to see whether we could not return to the position taken up by the late Mr. Wilson and the policy of the Allied statesmen in 1915 to 1917.

FRENCH STOCK EXCHANGE FOREIGNERS BARRED.

PARIS, February 24th.
The first executive act following the passage of the financial proposals is a decree forbidding access of foreigners to the stock exchanges except by special permission.

GERMAN ELECTIONS BARRED.

BERLIN, February 24th.
A message from Munich states that the French occupation authorities have forbidden the holding of elections in the Palatinate on March 6th for the Bavarian Diet.FORTHCOMING FRENCH ELECTIONS.
POSSIBLE VICTORY FOR SOCIALISTS.PARIS, February 24th.
M. Briand, speaking at a Radical Socialist banquet at Carcassonne, prophesied a certain victory for the Left parties in the forthcoming elections, provided the Republicans made common cause. M. Briand advocated the creation of an atmosphere of peace wherein Germany would feel her neighbours would enable her to achieve a peace that was real.EARLIER CABLES.
[REUTER'S AMERICAN SERVICE.]
"GREATEST LAW FACTORY IN THE WORLD."WASHINGTON, February 24th.
Secretary Hughes, speaking in the American Law Institute, decried the multitude of laws passed in "the greatest law factory in the world," namely, the forty-eight States, and the Federal Government's "Greatest duty of the hour is not to make but to enforce the law, thereby maintaining respect."

LATEST CABLES.

DAVIS CUP.

New York, February 24th.
Spain and Rumania have challenged for the Davis Cup.

U.S. SQUASH RACKET CHAMPIONSHIP.

Boston, February 24th.
An Englishman, Capt. Gerald Roberts, won the American squash racket championship, defeating William Harris 19-13, 14-16, 15-10, 15-11.

THE FIRST OPERA.

SECOND PERFORMANCE IN 321 YEARS.

The first opera ever performed publicly, Jacopo Peri's "Euridice," was revived at the Pitti Palace at Florence recently on the occasion of the second Italian Musical Congress now being held in this city.

The original performance took place 321 years ago at the festivities which marked the marriage of Maria de Medici with Henry IV. of France. Since then "Euridice" has never been seen except once at Milan.

With Giulio Caccini and Emilio del Cavalieri, Jacopo Peri is regarded as the discoverer of modern recitative. He is also the father of opera, which became possible once recitative was known. In 1597 he himself appeared in the first work of the kind which he had composed. It was called "Dafne." It was performed privately, and no trace of it survives. "Euridice" was his second effort.

FAR EASTERN CABLE NEWS.

[THROUGH REUTER'S AGENCY.]

PARLIAMENTARY GROUP FOR CHINESE AFFAIRS.

London, February 24th.
Doctor Chapple has been elected Vice-Chairman of the China Parliamentary group to watch Chinese affairs.

PREFERENCE AGAINST CHINA TEA.

A POINT OF PRIDE WITH CHINA.

London, February 24th.
The question of preference against China tea will come up in the Budget discussions in the House of Commons. Although the amount involved is not very large, equality of admission, says the *Manchester Guardian*, is a point of pride with China, and if the policy of discriminating against China be abandoned it would probably improve Chinese opinion towards British imports, which declined last year.

TRADE MARK DISPUTE SETTLEMENT.

London, February 24th.
The *Manchester Guardian* hears that the dispute with regard to trade marks is in a fair way to settlement.

EPIDEMICS IN THE FAR EAST.

RECOMMENDATION OF L.O.N. HYGIENE COMMITTEE.

GENEVA, February 24th.
The hygiene committee of the League of Nations, after sitting ten days, has concluded its work and recommends the creation of an epidemics bureau in one of the Far Eastern ports, to be chosen by the Governments interested, also the transmission of enquiry, containing a draft sanitary convention between these countries. The committee has decided to institute an enquiry into malaria in Albania, Greece and Persia, in accordance with the request of these countries, and also to enquire with regard to the epidemics of plague and exanthematic typhus in Russia.

"LIBERTY OF THE PRESS" KING'S COLLEGE DEBATE.

In the opinion of the House, the liberty of the Press is becoming a danger to the liberty of the people. This was a motion discussed by the Union Society of King's College recently, Professor A. P. Newton presiding.
Mr. G. D. H. Cole, who proposed the motion, complained that the Press encouraged anarchy. People were encouraged by the Press to smash an immense quantity of miscellaneous information under the delusion that the accumulation of knowledge was valuable for its own sake—a delusion in which a great many academic persons shared. (Hear, hear.) One thing he would like to see was the complete suppression of advertisements. This would lead to a reduction in the size of newspapers, and would make possible independent newspapers, such as they got in a far greater degree in other countries. He would like to see the total abolition of private ownership in newspapers, so that newspapers could only be run by groups or classes of people representing this or that particular opinion.
Mr. P. Guedella, in opposing the motion, said that Mr. Cole complained that the newspapers were "scrappy"—that they did not get a solid page of unbroken matter dealing with one subject about which people did not wish to read, but which they could not get out of when they once started on the page, because there was nothing else on it. He was an inspiring ideal, but he decided to face the prospect of a newspaper which were not reasonably "scrappy." If they were to have the wherewithal to pay for that news. He did not think they were going to get better freedom by prohibiting private people from owning newspapers. The present system of uncontrolled ownership of the Press was preferable to any alternative that he knew of. It was certainly preferable to having their news provided by a Minister of Publicity or to having no news at all.
Other speakers followed, and on the motion being put to the vote it was carried by 201 against 189.

The Salvation Army Year Book for 1924 contains a clear, straightforward statement of the great enterprises entered upon by such a world-wide organisation. Among a mass of interesting information, is the statement that during 1923 the social institutions of the Salvation Army supplied 14,394,833 meals and provided 8,523,331 beds. They found work for 212,225 men; assisted 2,575 criminals. Its rescue homes received 8,094 girls and its maternity homes have 1,551 beds which are always in use. The army runs 181 hotels for working men and eighteen hotels for working women.

HABEAS CORPUS AND CHINESE LAW.

EUROPEAN LADY LANGUISHING IN TIENTSIN CHINESE GAOL.

The *Peking and Tientsin Times* of the 15th refers to the imprisonment, under conditions against which, states that journal, the strongest protest is warranted, of a Mme. Prokesh, who has a residence in the Italian Concession. It appears that Mme. Prokesh has been incarcerated in a prison in the native city, in a section containing Chinese female criminals, in connection with a judgment of a Chinese Court in Harbin. The story is a long and rather involved one. Briefly, it seems that Mme. Prokesh (who was married to a citizen of Czechoslovakia a short time ago) inherited considerable property under the will of her husband, a very wealthy Blagoveschensk merchant, M. Tetukoff, who was killed by the Bolsheviki in 1918. She was the second wife, and her husband had two children, a son and a daughter, now grown-up, by his first wife. The second Mme. Tetukoff (now Mme. Prokesh) also had a son, and the estate was divided between her and the three children. Two sisters of the deceased claimed that in 1916 they lent M. Tetukoff 240,000 roubles, and brought an action in the Chinese Court for the recovery of this debt. The widow was ordered to pay a sum of 140,000 in gold to the sisters, and in satisfaction of this decision the deceased's steamship line, consisting of two large river steamers and seven large steel barges, was transferred to their ownership. The value of this property was placed at 140,000 gold yen.
A further claim, however, was made for the difference in the exchange rate between roubles in gold and gold yen. There was apparently a dispute as to what this difference amounted to, the widow contending that it should not be more than 4,000 roubles gold on the total sum. The Imperial gold rouble has practically disappeared from circulation and has the appreciated value characteristic of coins in such circumstances. The widow further argued that she was only responsible for the payment of a fourth of this sum. The decision, was against her, and she left Harbin, ultimately coming to Tientsin.
Those, it is gathered, are the details of the case.
With the actual merits of the dispute we cannot, of course, concern ourselves. But the details given above will show that the woman who was thrown into a Chinese prison a fortnight ago has not been guilty of any especially heinous crime.

PROHIBITIVE BAIL ASKED FOR.

The Chinese demand for a shop-guarantee is equivalent to asking the impossible in the case of a foreign woman with no business connection. No Chinese shop would think of acting as guarantor to a stranger. Benevolence never goes quite so far among them. But if other means cannot be devised to enable Mme. Prokesh to be admitted to bail, surely she is entitled to special treatment. She is still lodged in a part of the prison occupied by common criminals, most of whom are in chains. The conditions in a Chinese gaol are had enough at the best of times, but in mid-winter they are a serious menace to health. Mme. Prokesh, as a matter of fact, has become ill, and it is since she has been imprisoned, and it is stated by those interested in her plight, that a Chinese doctor who visited her in prison recommended to the authorities that she be removed to hospital. Nothing has been done, however, in this direction, the plea advanced being that it is the business of the Executive Officer of the prison, and not expected to return until next week. It is preposterous, in our opinion, that the recommendations of the native doctor should be ignored, of the native woman in the condition of the imprisoned woman, simply because an official has been fit to absent himself for so long a period.

JAPANESE DRUG TRADER'S APPEAL.

The Court of Criminal Appeal, on January 21st, dismissed the appeal against conviction and sentence of Yasukichi Miyagawa, who was recently convicted at the Central Criminal Court of offences under the Dangerous Drugs Acts, and was sentenced to three years' penal servitude, ordered to pay the costs of the prosecution, and recommended for expulsion.
Sir Henry Curtis Bennett, K.C., for appellant, said that Miyagawa was convicted of procuring 500 lb. of morphine hydrochloride for Miyagawa and Co., of Kobe, Japan, and doing an act preparatory to procuring morphine, contrary to the Act. The case against Miyagawa was that he bought morphine in Switzerland for dispatch to Japan. That did not render him guilty of "procuring" the morphine. Section 6 of the Act of 1920 (which referred to the "export" and "import" of drugs), section 7 of that Act, and the Regulations made thereunder for the control and distribution of drugs postulated the procuring of the drugs in Great Britain. The drugs in respect of which the charge was made must at some material time have existed in Great Britain.
Dismissing the appeal, the Lord Chief Justice said the bills of lading described the morphine as harmless chemicals. It was not true to say that there could be no charge of procuring morphine when the drug was not in the possession of the purchaser. The Act threw the net wider than that. The sentence was severe, but was necessarily so, having regard to the increase in the illegal drug traffic.

OUR LONDON LETTER.

THE ADVENT OF A LABOUR GOVERNMENT.

PLAIN FACTS ABOUT SENSATIONAL REPORTS AND WILD RUMOURS.

[FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.]

London, January 10th.
PRINCE AND LEAGUE OF MERCY.

The Prince of Wales, as Grand President of the League of Mercy, is displaying great interest in that excellent organisation which exists to help the poor. The position of Grand President was held by his father, and before then by the late King Edward, who was, in fact, the founder of the League a quarter of a century ago. The annual meeting is to take place this year at St. James's Palace, when the Prince has undertaken to present the Order of Mercy to those who have earned it since the last annual meeting.

There is a story of Lord Palmerston which is sometimes told as being typical of that famous Prime Minister, who had very little reverence for anything or anybody, and was apt to be cynical. Speaking of the Order of the Garter, he is alleged to have said he liked it because there's no good merit about it. Probably the story is a fairy tale, but at all events a similar comment could never be made about the Order of Mercy or the League which has the Prince of Wales at its head. No one is eligible for the Order unless he has given five years' faithful service to the League in the relief of poverty, suffering, or distress of some kind, and, as a consequence, the Order is greatly prized by those who receive it.

THE AMERICAN AMBASSADOR IN LONDON.

The new American Ambassador and his wife, Mr. and Mrs. Kellogg, have decided to take up their abode in Crewe House, the magnificent Mayfair residence of the Marquis of Crewe, the present British Ambassador in Paris. Some of the daily papers have contained agreeable articles about Mrs. Kellogg's efforts to find a suitable home in London, and it seems that her chief difficulty while house-hunting was to obtain enough accommodation. There are to be entertainments on a very big scale, and this is one reason why Crewe House was chosen. Chesham Place, formerly occupied by Mr. Harvey, the late American Ambassador, and also the house in Grosvenor Gardens, where Mr. Walter Page lived, were too small for Mr. and Mrs. Kellogg.

Crewe House was built by the architect Shepherd, who may be said to have created Mayfair in the early part of the Eighteenth Century. Lord Crewe bought it in 1899 for 500,000, and it is probably worth a great deal more now. I am given to understand that the tenancy is being arranged for a year, by which time it is expected that the alterations to the Prince's Gate residence, the new permanent home of the American Embassy in London, will be completed.

WHEN LABOUR RULES.

On national grounds it is to be regretted that certain politicians seem very eager to exaggerate the potential dangers of a Labour Government. Mr. Lloyd George, in his last week-end message to American papers, makes the statement that the old political parties here are "in terror of Labour," and in a characteristic passage adds: "The Western skies are already black with the flight of Capital seeking safety beyond the Atlantic. The fright is real. There has been nothing like it since horror filled the streets of Rome at the approach of Attila."

Now, while some amount of capital may be expected to go out of the country through the timidity of people who regard a Labour Government with fear and aversion, it is sheer nonsense to represent the condition of things as in any way approaching that which the former head of the Coalition asserts. But this statement is typical of a great deal that has been printed and spoken publicly of late, and it must be extremely misleading to observers abroad to read such sensational stuff. It is vastly more important to know what the business community have to say on the subject, because that is the opinion that counts in matters of this kind, and not the alarmist predictions of politicians with axes to grind.

THE BUSINESS VIEW.

This week at the Federation of British Industries I learned what is really thought about the advent of Labour to the seat of power. The F.B.I. is an independent body representative of the immense trade interests of Great Britain. It knows no political parties as such. With this in mind I believe it is a great gain to know quite definitely that business experts in Great Britain do not discover any cause for alarm in the prospect of a Labour Government. It is considered extremely unlikely that Labour will try to force through Parliament legislation that will be inimical to the interests of industry. It is clearly the right policy for a Labour Government to make as few enemies as possible as one of the three parties in the House of Commons, and to create a good impression, so that at the next General Election, which cannot be far distant, or at least in the near future, Labour will be returned with a clear majority over all other parties in Parliament.

This, of course, is not at all picturesquely; it does not read like Mr. Lloyd George's florid metaphors about the flight of Capital darkening the Western sky, for instance, and Attila has to be left out of the picture altogether. But it is common-sense, and it happens to bear close relation to fact, and that is, after all, the important point. What business men deplore is the danger of a falling-off in confidence as a result of uncertainty about Labour intentions. Abroad it is thought the effect may be very harmful, and that our trade may suffer in foreign markets. In other words, the potential damage to trade will probably be due to "psychological" causes rather than to causes inherent in the actual situation.

WHAT LABOUR LEADERS SAY.

There is nothing more unprofitable than attempting to forecast what may happen in politics. It is a good maxim which says you should never prophesy unless you know! But if the declared intentions of the Labour leaders can be taken as a guide to the future there will be no wild-cat legislation so far as they are concerned. Mr. Ramsay MacDonald is no fool, and he knows that while the intransigent section of his followers will blow off steam—and they doubtless will do so in an alarming manner—in the House of Commons, he must cut and carve his programme or he will not stay long in office. So far as I am able to judge, a Labour Government will keep to the middle of the road. There may be sudden swerves to one side or the other from time to time, and the crowd behind will attempt rash tactics, perhaps, and cause disturbance; but the leaders are fairly level-headed and know what is practical politics and what is not.

POLITICAL ENTERTAINING.

This week the politicians have been coming into London from all points of the compass for the opening of Parliament. The usual political dinners by their various leaders are being given in established custom. The Great interest is being raised by the activities of the Half-Circle Club, the organisation of the wives of Labour politicians which is to be responsible for the social side of the party's work. There is a big reception at the University of London, South Kensington, to all the Labour Members of Parliament, and all those who were Labour candidates at the General Election. I hear that 1,500 invitations were issued, and the hostesses, four in number, are the wives of well-known Labour leaders, namely, Mrs. Fred Bramley, Mrs. Clynes, Mrs. Frank Hodges, and Mrs. Henderson.

There is speculation with regard to the way entertaining will be done when the Labour party comes into office. So far as I can ascertain, the idea at present is to leave this to the Half-Circle Club to carry on in the co-operative fashion that has been the rule hitherto. But nothing definite has yet been arranged about the future. Much will depend upon circumstances. Mr. Ramsay MacDonald is a widower, with a daughter under twenty, and she is scarcely to be expected to play the part of chaperone at historic No. 10, Downing Street, although she is a very clever and charming girl. It would be too trying an ordeal for her. It is, therefore, more than likely that the Half-Circle Club will arrange the social and entertainment side from Downing Street when the Labour Government comes in.

Another point of interest may be mentioned in this connection. It is highly probable that if things go as Labour expects Socialist *debutantes* will be presented at Court in the coming season. This is spoken of in Labour circles as a matter of course, and this little item, I think, more than any other fact published, cuts the ground from under the alarmists, who are never tired of bracketing the Labour Party with Revolution.

IMPRESSIONS BY LONDON.

The Chinese Industrial Commission seem genuinely astonished by the size of London. One of them describes it as "majestic." They marvel at its cleanliness. They were taken on the Underground Railway and the Tubes, and the latter appeared to them like something of an Arabian Nights kind of experience. A member of the party insisted on taking joy-rides on the escalator at Liverpool Street, and could scarcely be induced to leave it. The London Docks were also a wonderful revelation to the visitors, who never imagined that anywhere on earth there could be such a display of national might and vast trade and incredible wealth. They were considerably surprised to learn that Londoners seldom visit the docks, but take them as a matter of course, as part of the established order of things, like the Houses of Parliament or the Lord Mayor's coachman.

"FOOT-AND-MOUTH."

Farmers in this country are in a real state of alarm over the continuance of foot-and-mouth disease. It continues to spread in a very inexplicable manner in different places. What baffles the expert officers of the Board of Agriculture, who are dealing with the epidemic is the mysterious way it manifests itself. One day it is found in some remote parish in Essex, and the next day in an equally remote part of Yorkshire, or in Scotland, or in the West of England. In a few instances, however, the disease has been traced to straw or some other material imported from the Continent, where they always have it going more or less virulently. But in the majority of instances the possibility of infection from outside sources has been ruled out of consideration.

The policy pursued at official dictation is one of ruthless slaughter of cattle and pigs on every farm where there is a "foot-and-mouth." What is most deplorable is the disappearance of many magnificent pedigree herds of cattle which it has taken many years to breed up to the highest standard of perfection. Compensation is paid to owners, but this is only a small part of the loss, and it means the most important. It is curious that, in spite of all efforts extending over many years, the experts have never been able to discover the bacillus of foot-and-mouth disease, and it is therefore impossible to treat affected animals.—H.B.

The British Climate in Historic Times was the subject of Sir R. A. Gregory's presidential address at the annual meeting of the Geographical Association. Little meteorological evidence existed, he said, for the association of weather with Christmas. In a period of eighty-three years, snow fell on Christmas Eve on two occasions only; there were only six years in which it had fallen on Christmas Day; and ten when there had been snow on Boxing Day.

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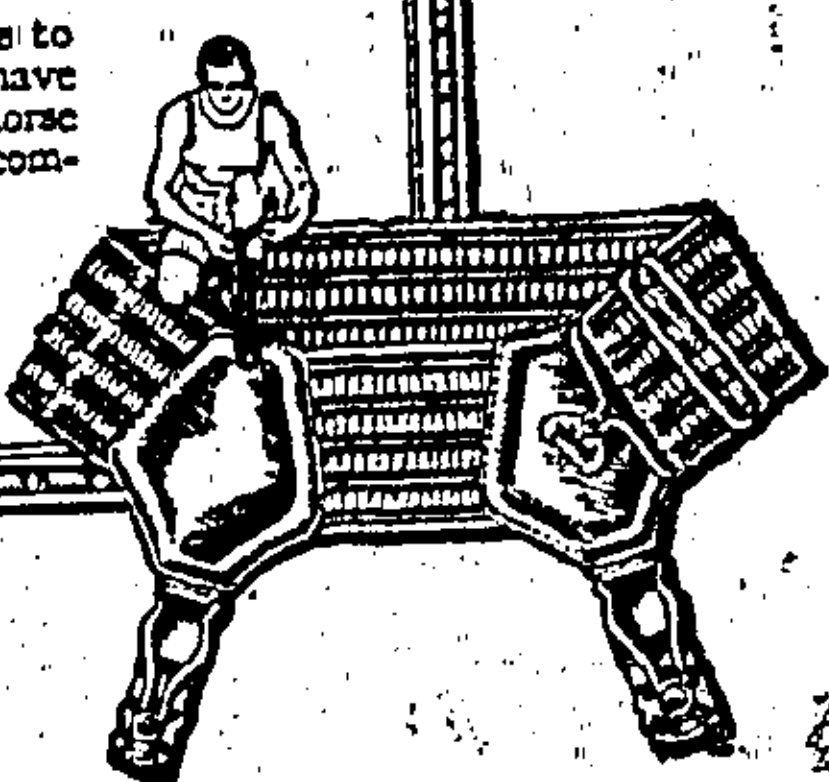
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PARIS FASHION NOTES.

[FROM OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT, ISABEL RAMSAY.]

SIGNS OF SPRING IN THE SOUTH.

PARIS, January 20th.

Immediately after the holidays everyone in Paris suddenly disappeared, bound either for the mountain resorts of Chamouni and Saint Moritz, where sledding and skiing are the chief day-time diversions, or for the Cote d'Azur, where sun and bathing and tennis are the order of the day. Both the mountain and the seaside resorts are crowded, and while Cannes is enjoying its season with a tennis tournament, from which the intrepid Miss Langlen has been forced to withdraw on account of sickness, Chamouni has been inventing ice tennis to be played on skates. It is a merry season, and will probably be increasingly merry till everyone concentrates at Cannes and Nice for Mardi Gras, which is consecrated to masquerading and gaiety all along the Azuro Coast.

Sports costumes, as usual, are flourishing, and while many a lady is to be seen attired in knickerbockers with hardly an apology for a skirt above them in the mountain resorts, we find the costumes for Southern wear more feminine but still adhering to a certain conventionalism, as do the walking clothes. However, there is a clever English tailor in Paris who has found a means of combining the comfort of the knickerbockers with the dignified lines of the conventional skirt. She accomplishes this by making a divided skirt and superimposing upon this a wide front panel and a wide quick-panel—so wide, indeed, that they meet each other at the side of the "skirt." Thus, a lady can walk with the longest stride that she can command and keep her slender silhouette at the same time, and the secret of the skirt remains hidden beyond detection so long as the wearer does not step upon something at least as high as a chair. The suit is finished with a neat jacket, simple and sharply defined in line, saved from the stigma of looking "masculine" only by the extreme looseness at which the waist is pinched in.

A walking frock, more feminine in line, has a series of pocket flaps set into its front section, and these serve to give the width necessary for taking long walks in comfort. The frock is of heavy crepe and has a white collar finishing its round neck, and circular white cuffs at the wrists of the long sleeves.

Tricot costumes are quite the mode for the Cote d'Azur, and one sees a great many of them forming charming ensembles of frock and cape. The smartest tricot costumes are knit to measure on the wearer, and often mingle silk, wool and metallic threads in charming colour combinations. Often, on the other hand, the costume will be perfectly plain except for bindings of bright coloured leather or devyrene about the edges. A very pretty costume of this sort was knit in a plain rib of tan wool and its edges were bound with laquer red suede. Another, cut from the broad knit jersey cloth, and bindings of purple glass kid, and a belt of the purple kid with ornaments of green and magenta kid flowers at the left side.

The knit ensemble usually includes frock and cape or frock and jacket. Sometimes they will be a three-piece suit, with wool jacket and skirt and a knit silk-blossie in a contrasting colour. Some very pretty costumes are formed of a chemise frock, very straight and narrow, knit of some neutral coloured wool, with a wide cape to match, but a grateful contrast is offered in a brilliant lining to the cape, while the collar or neckline of the frock will be bound in the same colour. Needless to say, the hues of the tricot skirts are never bound for the elasticity of these knitted skirts is one of the chief points to recommend them for sports wear.

The scarf is appearing in a good many different forms in the mid-season styles, and one of the most charming was seen in an afternoon frock. A wide piece of the corollary blue crepe de chine, which made the frock hand with white crepe de chine and set on to the neckline, so that it fell down the back with a drape made by the round-backed neck. An under skirt of white crepe de chine, which showed in a wide panel through the over-skirt, responded to the white-lined scarf, and to the white V shaped dickey showing at the front of the bodice, so that the dress was really a little entity of design.

Evening gowns always prove a fascinating subject, and whether you go to the Cote d'Azur or to the mountains they are equally necessary. A scarf sleeve appears in one of the most original *vahes de soir* which we have seen lately. The gown itself is sheath-like, and its bodice portion, which is made of a curious scale-like lamé, finishes on a sharp diagonal, while the skirt, which continues the sheathing lines, is of black velvet. The scarf traverses the shoulders and falls in a long cascade in front of the left arm, which it may serve to clove, or if one is more careless, it may simply hang unnoticed and trail behind from the shoulder.

The approach of Carnival time brings to the fore the *robes de style*. It is the Directorate period which is holding the centre of attention, but the Second Empire style of gown is still honoured for its charm of full skirts and its mystery of froutrou petticoats. One of the latest ideas in these full skirts is to cut them upward at the front of the hemline, and let them slope down to touch the floor at the back slightly, or even so slightly.

Evening wraps continue to be as important to smartness as the evening gown. The softer they are and the more suggestive of warmth and luxury, the more valuable they are. Ermine remains the chosen material for evening wraps if they are to be of fur, although the downy chip-chilla, even more expensive than the ermine, is sometimes seen. Then there is a wide variety of capes made of lamé and lined with velvet, or made of a velvet broadcloth and lined with silk or gold cloth. Fur usually collars these wraps, and more than likely it will be white fur, which preserves the feeling of lightness and fragility that is the final refinement in evening gowns for all but dowagers. One gorgeous cape was of a pomegranate red velvet broadcloth, lined with cloth of silver and collared with white fox. Another cape of bright green velvet was lined with ivory velvet and collared with the red fox. A lamé broadcloth, figured with a Chinese landscape which extended

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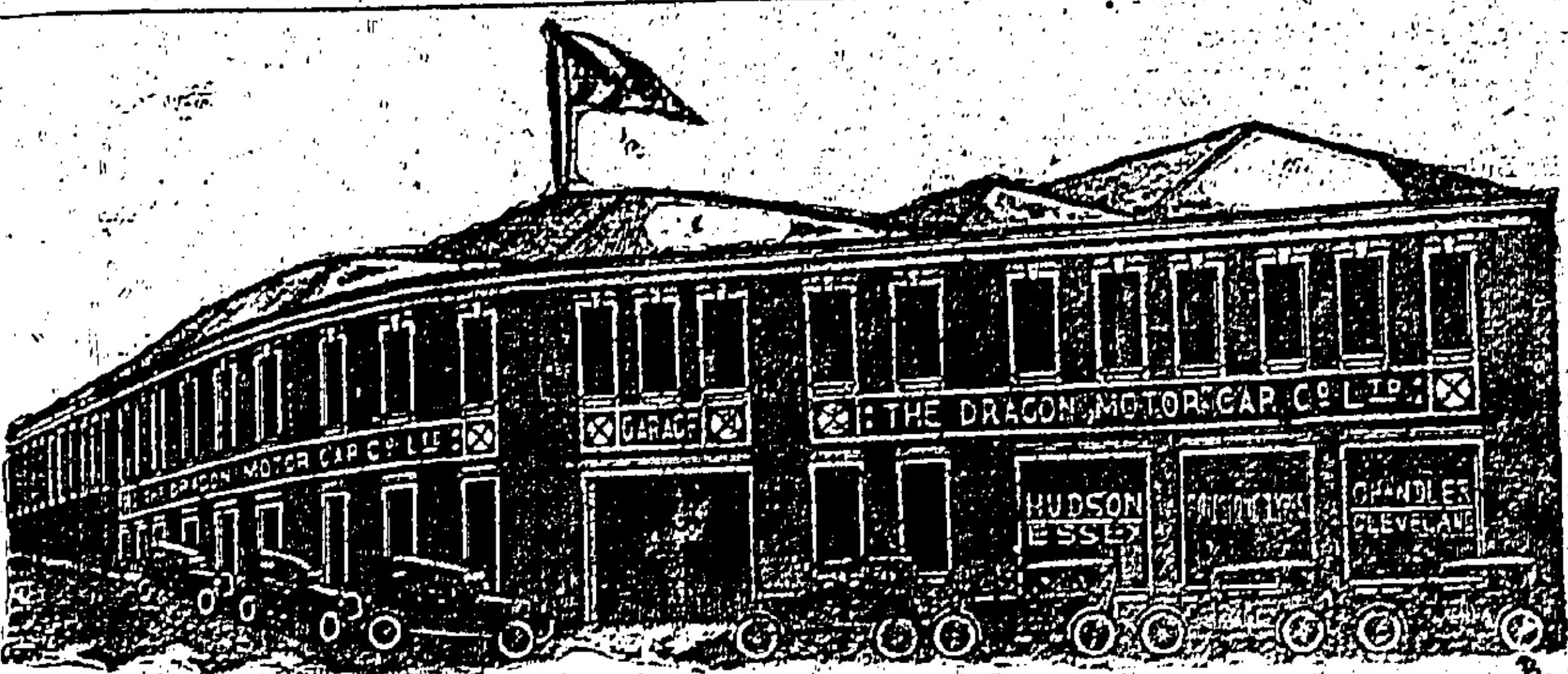
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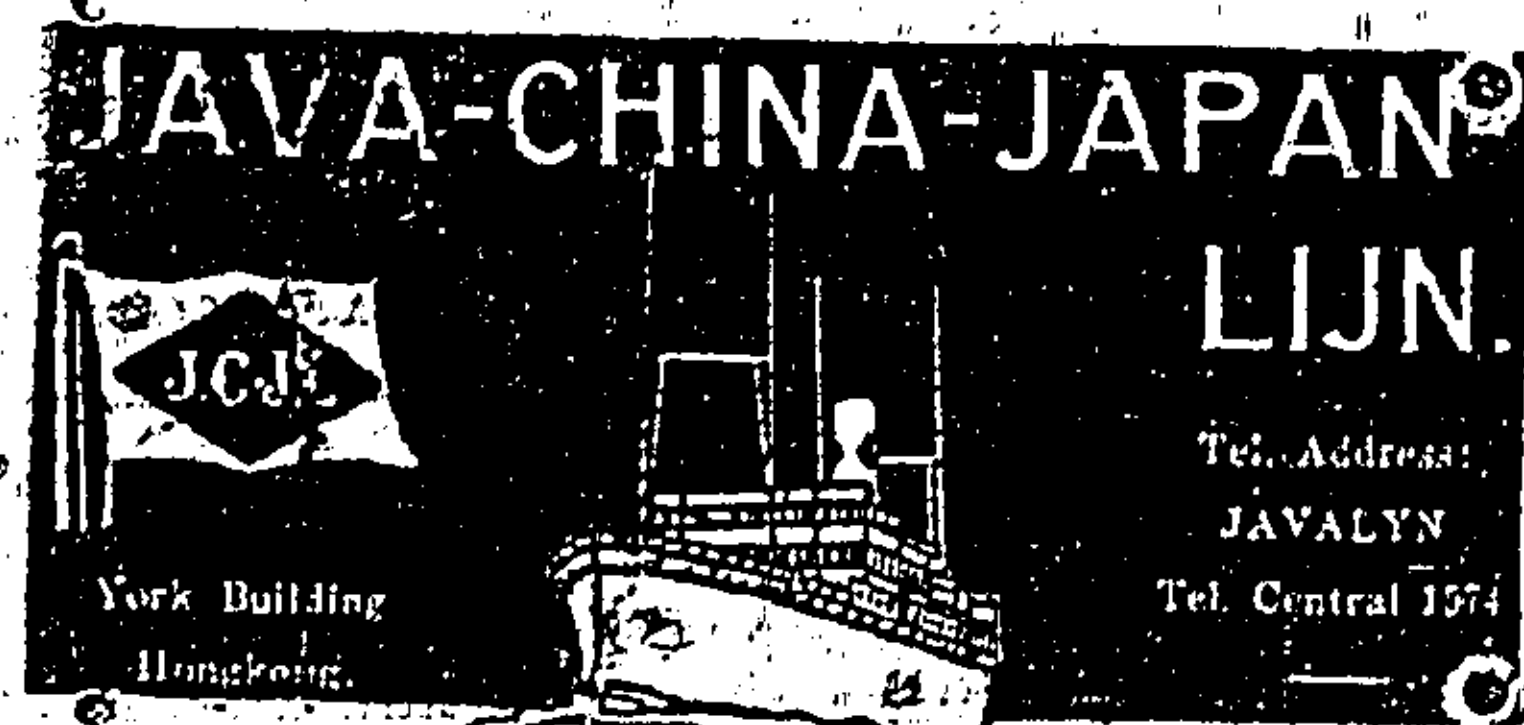
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BAR'S PARLOUS DAYS.

GLITTERING PRIZES—FOR THE FEW.

A Barrister-at-Law writes in the *Weekly Dispatch*:—
Thirty thousand a year! That was Lord Birkenhead's estimate of the income he would earn if he could return to practise at the Bar. It must be a most galling thought to a comparatively young man who is forced to keep his living expenses within the confines of the £5,000 pension paid to an ex-Lord Chancellor. This is if anything an under-estimate, for he would probably have the offer of a brief in nearly every action in which any considerable sum of money or personal reputation was at stake. And with the exception of Sir John Simon there is no one of his calibre practising at the Common Law side to-day.

But because Lord Birkenhead could earn such a huge professional income it must not be assumed that there is any money or money in plenty for others. In fact, the strongest Trade Union in the world—the Bar—has to-day a larger percentage of unemployed than any other union.

QUARRELSOME, BUT CURIOS.

These are indeed parloous days in the Temple. There may be little tranquillity in foreign affairs, but at home it appears to be firmly entrenched. Somehow or other people will not fight it out now-a-days. To judge by what took place at some public meetings held recently there is no evidence that our race is becoming less prone to quarrel. Indeed, writs are as numerous as they were at any time. But few of the issues come to trial—one side or the other throws in his hand before the judge arrives when solicitors have to deliver briefs. It would seem that an action in the High Court is now-a-days much too expensive a luxury for all except the wealthy corporations.

If we leave out undefended divorce suits, the taxed costs of few actions in the High Court amount to less than £150, and over and above these are the solicitor and client costs. If fashionable leaders are retained and the case runs over the first day the total costs of both sides are likely to be in the neighbourhood of £1,000. If Mr. Winston Churchill were paying the costs of the prosecution at the Old Bailey he would take a large slice of the £15,000 he admits he has received from the publishers of his book.

STILL CROWDING IN.

It is all very depressing, and the spatted feet of the juniors (and, it may be whispered, not a few silks) drag more and more as each day they pass to their silent chambers.

There is little doubt that the Bar is to-day the most overcrowded of all professions, and it is no exaggeration to say that not one in ten of practising barristers in Great Britain is supporting himself by the income he derives from his profession. And yet the numbers who enrol themselves as students grow and grow.

Of course, a large proportion, perhaps half, of those who read for the Bar do not intend to practise; the Bar to them is only a stepping stone to something else. Thackeray in *Pendennis* gave a description of the men who dined in Middle Temple Hall in his time: "There were gentlemen of all ages, attorneys who were proceeding to take from 20 to 17; stout, grey-headed the superior dignity-dandies and men about town who wished for some reason to be barristers of seven years' standing—worthy, black-eyed natives of the Colonies, who came to be called here before practising in their own islands—and many gentlemen of the Irish nation, who make a sojourn in Middle Temple-lane before they return to the green land of their birth."

LUCKY HANDFUL.

Somewhat the same is the condition of affairs to-day. But, allowing for those who come and pass away again when qualified to follow the profession of law, each year there are hundreds of young and ambitious men, some with private means and some without, who for a few years try to keep afloat in the stream that runs to the Cabinet and the Bench. But those who are carried forward by the stream are few. Chambers in the Temple have housed many tragedies of blighted lives of young men of brilliant attainments, but the intimate facts of these tragedies are only told in Hall when the Ancients gossip over their extra bottle of port.

And there are tragedies being played to-day. Hundreds of young men and many middle-aged too, are hanging in the hope that the tide will turn their way. It is a great hope, for if success comes it comes to the barrister more quickly than to the members of any other profession. Solicitors are like sheep. Let one or two good firms brief a man and the rest quickly follow. The result is that all the work is divided among a handful of men. In two or three years a professional income may grow from £50 a year to £5,000. But while he waits the young barrister stuns himself so that it often happens when the tide does turn his way his physique cannot pay the toll that a big practice at the Bar demands.

BRAINS!—POOH!

Mr. J. A. Strahan, in his *Bench and Bar*, tells a story bearing on this point: "I happened to meet an ancient barrister at mess in Middle Temple Hall when I was keeping my first term. He, with the reverence due to youth, was pointing out to me the way I should go if I wanted to arrive at the Woolack. I agreed to say something about brains. 'Brains!' exclaimed the old gentleman in amazement. 'Brains be blowed! It isn't brains, my lad, that brings success at the Bar; it is well, shall we say, stomach!'"

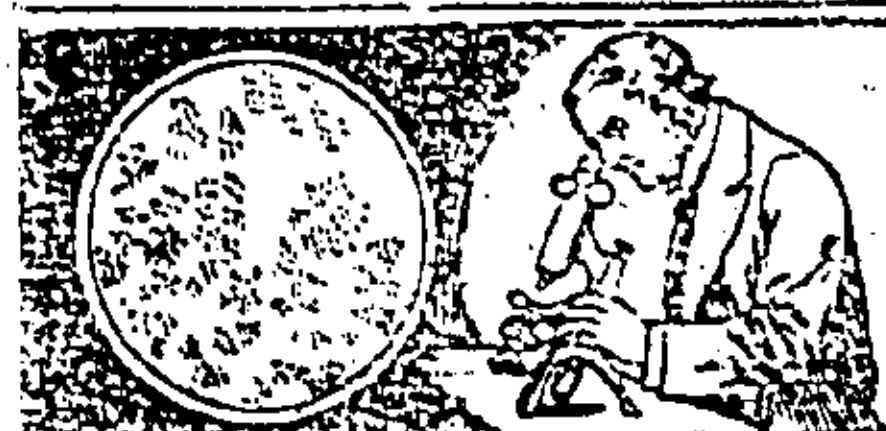
It is possible the ancient one was using the phrase in the same sense as did good Queen Bess when she told her troops, at Tilbury that she had the stomach of a king.

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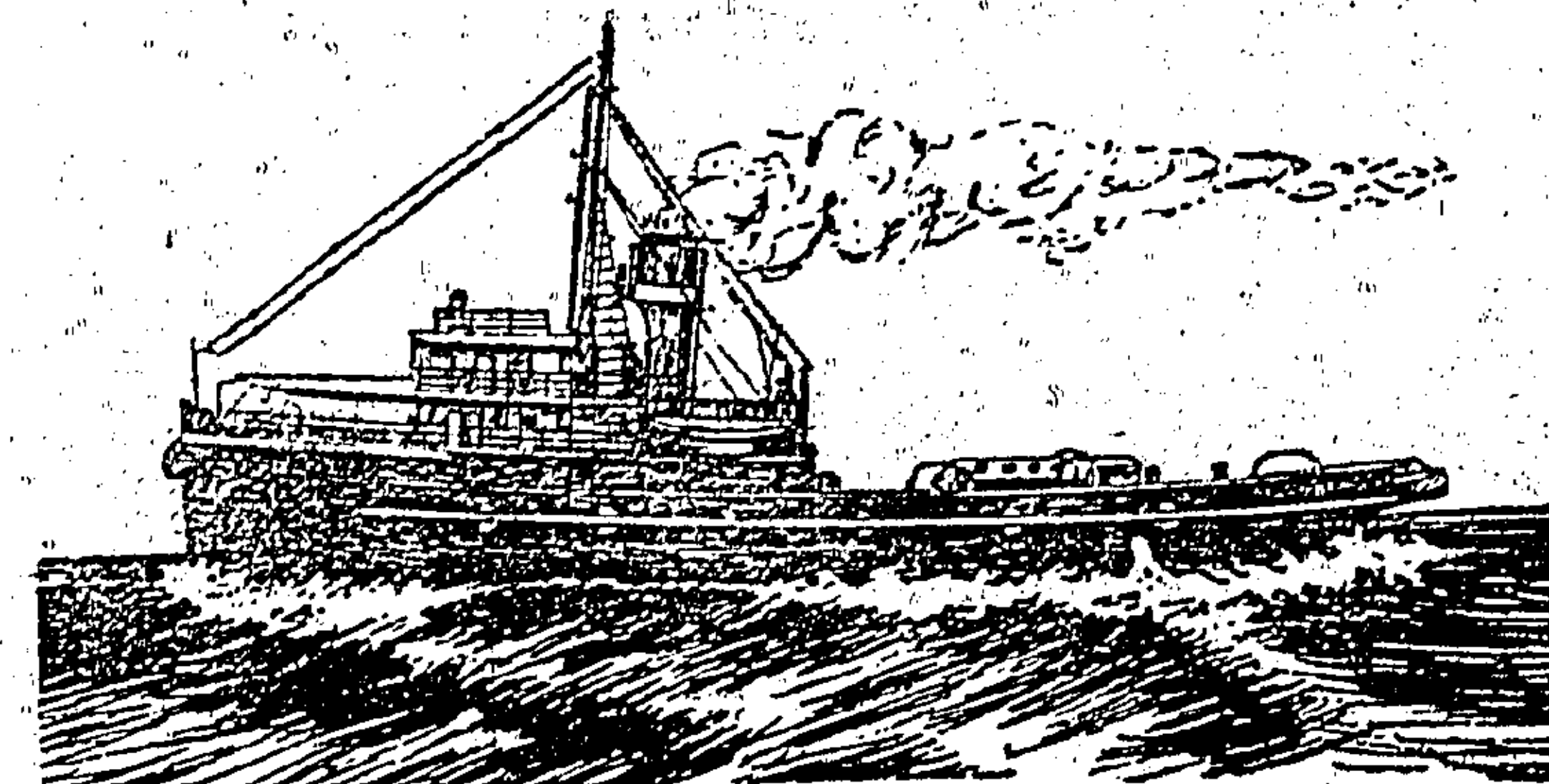
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SHIPPING NEWS

ARRIVALS

February 25th.

Chihhi, British str., 1,113 tons, Capt. A. Glendinning, from Shanghai and Swatow, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. 440—B. & S.

Kaun, British str., 503 tons, Capt. T. R. Neel, from Hsiohoh, with a cargo of salt, lying at Stonecutters—P. O. Yan & Co.

U. de Houssey, French str., 4,470 tons, Capt. Dally, from Bahia, with a cargo of ground nuts, lying at buoy No. 333—M.M.

Yushun Maru, Japanese str., from Canton, lying at buoy No. 441.

Passat, Norwegian str., from Canton, lying at buoy No. 421.

Pindie, Chinese str., 314 tons, Capt. Lai Yee, from Kwang Chow Wai, with a general cargo, lying at Hoi On wharf—Tung Woo & Co.

President Grant, American str., 14,000 tons, Capt. M. M. Jensen, from Seattle, which port she left on February 2nd, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon wharf—Admiral Oriental Line.

Strang, British str., 3,751 tons, Capt. R. S. Connolly, from Rangoon and Singapore, the latter port she left on February 18th, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. A10—Thuen Kwa.

February 25th.

Huruna Maru, Japanese str., 6,311 tons, Capt. S. Hirata, from London, which port she left on January 19th, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon wharf—N.Y.K.

Hokkaido, Chinese str., 288 tons, Capt. Leung Lung, from Kwang Chow Wai, with a general cargo, lying at Ping On wharf—Hoi On S.S. Co.

London Maru, Japanese str., 4,113 tons, Capt. T. Kamekichi, from Singapore, which port she left on February 19th, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. 46—O.S.R.

Passat, American str., 3,720 tons, Capt. Hampson, from Portland, Ore. and Shanghai, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. B25—Anhold & Co.

Pheonipah, British str., 1,606 tons, Capt. E. Holmes, from Saigon, with a general cargo and rice, lying at buoy No. 37—Wo Fat Shing.

President Cleveland, American str., 8,393 tons, Capt. Geo. W. Yardley, from Manila, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon wharf—Pacific Mail S.S. Co.

Sinkiang, British str., from Canton, lying at buoy No. B9.

Sinkiang, British str., 1,952 tons, Capt. S. O. Mitford, from Manila, with a general cargo, lying at buoy No. C32—J. M. & Co.

Tanaka Maru, Japanese str., 1,827 tons, Capt. J. Okura, from Muku, with a cargo of coal, lying at buoy No. B30—M.B.K.

Yokohama Maru, Japanese str., 6,143 tons, Capt. S. Akashi, from Shanghai, with a general cargo, lying at Kowloon wharf—N.Y.K.

Yushun, Chinese str., from Canton, lying at Company's wharf.

CLEARANCES

February 25th.

Haitan, for Swatow.

Hokkaido, for Swatow.

Kaun, for Canton.

London Maru, for Shanghai.

U. de Houssey, for Singapore.

Yamawaki, for Hsiohoh.

Yamawaki, for Tournay.

Passat, for Dairen.

President Grant, for Manila.

Sackel Maru, for Kowloon.

Sawabito, for Bangkok.

Sinkiang, for Shanghai.

Yushun, for Hsiohoh.

Yushun, for Foochow.

SHIPPING MOVEMENTS.

The N.Y.K. str. *Fushima Maru* (Australian line), left Sydney for Hongkong, via Manila, on February 22nd, and is expected here on March 12th.

The R.M.S. *Empress of Asia* is now due here at 6 p.m., to-day, and will berth at Pier No. 5, Kowloon wharf.

The Admiral Oriental liner *President Grant*, which sailed from this port at 5 p.m., yesterday, is due in Manila at 7 a.m. to-morrow. She returns from that port at 3 p.m. on March 1st, arriving here at 7 a.m. on March 2nd, and will sail for Victoria and Seattle, via Shanghai and Japan, at 10 a.m., on March 5th.

PASSENGERS.

ARRIVALS.

Per S.S. *Fukushima*, on February 25th:—Mr. H. A. Crickmar, Mrs. I. D. Stand, and Mr. C. K. Stand.

Per S.S. *Huruna Maru*, from London and ports, on February 25th:—Mr. H. J. Armstrong, Mr. and Mrs. Allison, Miss C. Allison, Mr. W. McDavies, Mrs. J. H. Gower, Mr. J. E. Hill, Mr. H. Heggum, Mrs. J. B. Kup, Mrs. E. H. Kelly, Mrs. A. M. Law, Mrs. L. J. Masterson, Mrs. E. H. Mason, Mr. W. Ott, Mr. and Mrs. W. E. Shenton, Mr. S. C. Schwerkopf, Mr. D. S. Upton, Mrs. A. L. Woodruff, and Mr. and Mrs. Westerman.

Per S.S. *President Grant* (Admiral Line), on February 25th:—Mrs. W. S. Allen, Capt. W. Artelt, Bishop Bannister, Mrs. F. Costa, Miss E. Cox, Mr. J. J. Cohn, Mr. and Mrs. Fay Dean, Mr. E. E. Dome, Mr. J. de Giorgio, Mr. M. de Graboni, Mrs. A. de Kay, Mrs. F. F. Golding, Mr. F. F. Hudson, Mrs. J. F. Jordan, Mr. A. Kapelle, Mr. A. Kanietsky, Mrs. L. L. Lopez, Mrs. A. Landi, Mrs. L. P. Phruer, Mr. H. F. Payne, Miss M. Raymond, Mrs. L. Smith, Mr. H. Tolentino, Mr. and Mrs. F. H. Tyson, Miss P. Tyson, Mr. H. S. Everitt, Mrs. H. S. Humboldt, Mr. H. S. Humboldt, Mr. F. H. Jones, Mr. and Mrs. T. W. Kydd, Mr. J. T. Kinney, Mr. M. Moody, Mr. W. J. Michael, Mr. H. M. Pitt, Miss L. Powell, Miss P. Tidmarsh, Mr. P. F. Whitener, Mr. and Mrs. I. Weinreich, and Mr. E. B. Wiborg.

VESSELS EXPECTED.

Bengalee (Ben Line), due Feb. 27th.

Dr. P. Benoit (M.M.), due end February.

Empress of Asia (due Feb. 26th).

Murotan Maru (N.Y.K.), due Feb. 29th.

President Hayes (Dollar Line), due March 3rd.

WEATHER REPORT.

February 25th at 17:00—Pressure has increased slightly over N.E. Japan and decreased slightly over Kwangtung and Shanghai. It is nearly stationary in other districts.

The anticyclone is now central over the Yellow Sea.

Fresh monsoon may be expected along the S.E. coast of China and over the N. China Sea.

Hongkong rainfall for the 24 hours ending at 18 hours, 25th February, 0.0 inch. Total since January 1st, 5.59 inches, against an average of 4.92 inches.

The forecast for the 24 hours ending at 18 hours, Feb. 26th is as follows:—

District Forecast

Hongkong to Gap Rock N.E. winds, fresh; cloudy.

Formosa Channel do do

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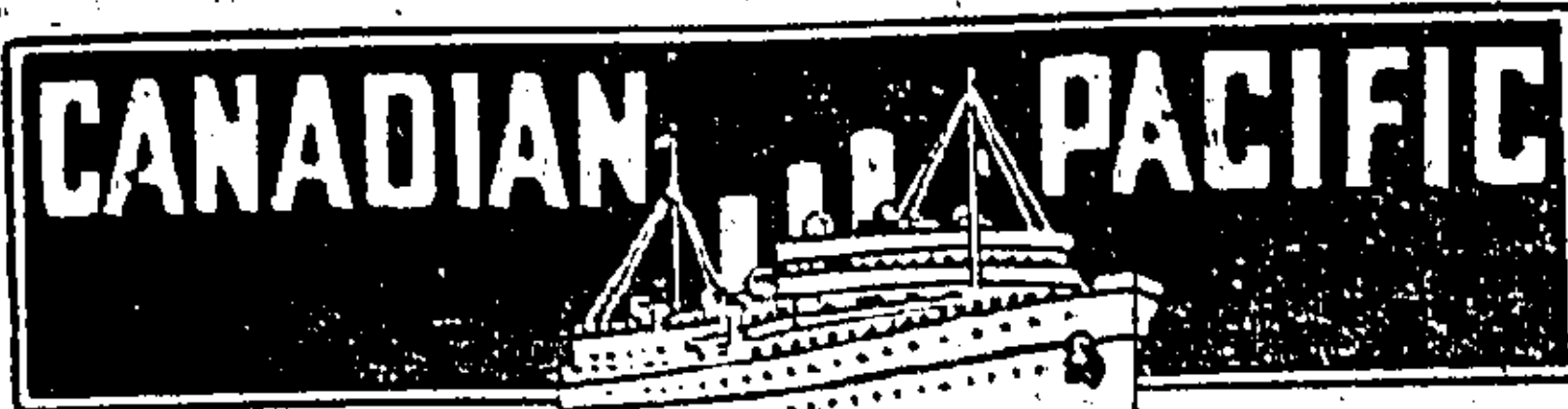
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Hongkong to England

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BUENOS AIRES via Singapore, Durban & Cape Town.

KANAGAWA MARU Second half of April.

BOMBAY via Singapore and Colombo.

MUROAN MARU Friday, 29th Feb.

LIMA MARU Monday, 10th Mar.

CALCUTTA via Singapore, Penang & Rangoon.

YAMAGATA MARU Saturday, 1st Mar.

WAKASA MARU Tuesday, 11th Mar.

NAGASAKI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.

YOSHINO MARU Thursday, 18th Mar.

SHANGHAI, KOBE & YOKOHAMA.

HURUNA MARU Tuesday, 26th Feb.

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"KIDDERPORE"	5,334	11th March	S'pore, Penang, Colombo & B'way.
"VALDERA"	15,993	22nd March	B'way, Mars. L'don. & A'werp.
"PADUA"	5,907	23rd March	S'pore, Penang, Colombo & B'way.
"SICILIA"	6,813	28th March	Marseilles, London & Antwerp.
"KHYBER"	8,014	5th April	B'way, Mars. L'don. & A'werp.
"NELLORE"	8,883	8th April	Marseilles, London & Antwerp.
"CHINA"	7,853	19th April	S'pore, Penang, Colombo & B'way.
"SUDAN"	6,996	28th April	Marseilles, London & Antwerp.
"KALYAN"	9,118	3rd May	Mars. London & Antwerp.
"PLASSY"	7,466	17th May	do.
"KASHMIR"	9,683	24th May	do.
"KHYBER"	9,097	31st May	Mars. London & Antwerp.
"KASHGAR"	8,840	14th June	Mars. London & Antwerp.
"MOREA"	10,811	22nd June	do.
"KARNATAKA"	9,998	12th July	do.
"MALWA"	10,841	26th July	do.
"DEVANHA"	8,092	9th Aug.	do.
"MANTUA"	10,822	23rd Aug.	do.

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"PANDA" ... 6,856 ... 27th Feb. 1 p.m. Singapore, Penang & Calcutta.
"TAKADA" ... 6,949 ... 17th March ... do.
"TORILLA" ... 5,205 ... 4th April ... do.
"TALMA" ... 10,000 ... 10th April ... do.
"JAPAN" ... 6,052 ... 18th April ... do.EASTERN & AUSTRALIAN SAILINGS (South)
"EASTERN" ... 4,000 ... 5th Mar. (Manila, Thursday Island, Townsville, Brisbane, Sydney & Melbourne).
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SAILING TO SHANGHAI & JAPAN	Year	From Hongkong (approx.)	Destination
"PADUA"	5,907	28th Feb.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"CHINA"	7,952	8th Mar.	do.
"ARAFURA"	6,000	8th Mar.	Moji & Kobe.
"NELLORE"	8,883	10th Mar.	Shanghai & Kobe.
"TORILLA"	5,205	19th Mar.	Moji & Kobe.
"SICILIA"	6,813	13th Mar.	Shanghai.
"JAPAN"	6,052	22nd Mar.	Moji & Kobe.
"KALYAN"	9,118	22nd Mar.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"KASHMIR"	9,683	4th Apr.	do.
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	5th Apr.	Moji & Kobe.
"SUDAN"	6,996	8th Apr.	Shanghai.
"PLASSY"	7,426	18th Apr.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"KHYBER"	9,097	2nd May	do.
"EASTERN"	4,000	3rd May	Moji & Kobe.
"KASHGAR"	8,840	16th May	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"MOREA"	10,811	30th May	do.
"ARAFURA"	6,000	7th June	Moji & Kobe.
"KARNATAKA"	9,998	13th June	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"MALWA"	10,841	27th June	do.
"ST. ALBANS"	4,500	5th July	Moji & Kobe.
"DEVANHA"	8,092	11th July	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.
"MANTUA"	10,822	25th July	do.
"EASTERN"	4,000	2nd Aug.	Moji & Kobe.
"KHYBER"	9,014	8th Aug.	Shanghai, Moji & Kobe.

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SAILINGS SUBJECT TO ALTERATIONS.	Ports	Steamers	Date of Departure
SHANGHAI & TSINGTAO	...	"SINKIANG"	On 28th Feb. D.L.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	...	"KWANGCHOW"	On 28th Feb. 2 p.m.
HOIHOW & BANGKOK	...	"CHENAN"	On 27th Feb. 11 a.m.
MANILA	...	"TRAN"	On 27th Feb. 2 p.m.
SWATOW & SINGAPORE	...	"KIANGYUAN"	On 27th Feb. 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	...	"KIANGCHOW"	On 28th Feb. D.L.
SHANGHAI	...	"SHANSI"	On 29th Feb. 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	...	"ICHANG"	On 1st Mar. D.L.
AMOY, SWATOW & SINGAPORE	...	"KWEIYANG"	On 1st Mar. 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI	...	"CHUNGKING"	On 2nd Mar. D.L.
SWATOW & SHANGHAI	...	"CHUNGKING"	On 2nd Mar. 10 a.m.
SHANGHAI	...	"CHANGCHOW"	On 3rd Mar. D.L.
AMOY & SHANGHAI	...	"TUNGCHOW"	On 4th Mar. D.L.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	...	"SALAN"	On 4th Mar. Noon.
SHANGHAI	...	"PAKHOI"	On 4th Mar. 4 p.m.

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Singapore, Colombo, Durban and Capetown.
"MEXICO MARU" ... Friday, 21st Mar.BOMBAY via Singapore and Colombo.
"ABU MARU" ... Sunday, 2nd Mar.
"SUMATRA MARU" (Calls at Penang) ... Thursday, 6th Mar.SAIGON, BANGKOK & SINGAPORE
"BUSU MARU" ... Monday, 3rd Mar.
"KANGAS MARU" ... Wednesday, 13th Mar.CALCUTTA via Singapore & Bangkok
"ALABAMA MARU" ... Sunday, 13th Apr.
"ALASKA MARU" ... Beginning of Mar.NEW YORK via Japan Ports, San Francisco and Panama.
"ALASKA MARU" ... Thursday, 6th Mar.
"BOREO MARU" ... Sunday, 2nd Mar. 11 a.m.KEELUNG via SWATOW & AMOY.
"AMAKUSA MARU" ... Sunday, 9th Mar. 11 a.m.
"KALIO MARU" ... Thursday, 28th Feb. 10 a.m.TAKAO via SWATOW & AMOY.
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POST OFFICE NOTICE.

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INWARD MAILS.

From	Per	Date
SHANGHAI	Ichang	26th Feb.
SHANGHAI	Chienchow	26th Feb.
SHANGHAI	Leangchow	26th Feb.
SHANGHAI	Chungking	27th Feb.
CANADA, U.S.A., JAPAN AND SHANGHAI	Emp. of Asia	27th Feb.
Europe via Nippon (Letters only)	Nippon	1st Mar.
Europe via Nippon (papers only)	Veneria	1st Mar.
London, 31st Jan.		
U.S.A., JAPAN AND SHANGHAI	Fris. Hayes	3rd Mar.
AUSTRALIA & MANILA	Victoria	7th Mar.
AUSTRALIA & MANILA	Yoshino Maru	12th Mar.

OUTWARD MAILS.

For	Per	Date
Hohow and Haiphong	Mingyang	Tuesday, 26th, 8.30 A.M.
Shanghai and Japan	Portico	8.30 A.M.
Shanghai and Japan	Haruna Maru	10.30 A.M.
Manila	Paulet	10.30 P.M.
Saigon	Prometheus	10.30 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haichow	Noon
Sandakan	Hingang	Noon
Swatow and Bangkok	Kwangchow	1.00 P.M.
Swatow	Wingang	5.00 P.M.
Shanghai, Japan, Honolulu, Canada, U.S.A., Central & South America, & EUROPE via SAN FRANCISCO	Pres. Cleveland	Parcels 26th, 5.00 P.M.
—due San Francisco, 20th, Mar., & Europe via Siberia (Correspondence specially superscribed "via Siberia" only.)		Registration 27th, 9.00 A.M.
Hohow and Haiphong	Chienan	9.30 A.M.
Java via Sourabaya	Tyloboi	10.30 A.M.
Strait & Calcutta	Tanda	11.30 A.M.
Manila	Taan	1.00 P.M.
Swatow	Kingwan	2.30 P.M.
Australia (except places North of Brisbane) and New Zealand via Sydney—due Sydney, 16th March	Ling Nam	Parcels Registration 4.15 P.M.
		Letters 5.00 P.M.
Swatow, Amoy & Formosa	Koku Maru	Thursday, 28th, 8.30 A.M.
Shanghai	Leangchow	5.00 P.M.
Java via Batavia	Tjimanook	Friday, 29th, 10.30 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haichow	Noon
Straits and Calcutta	Kutang	1.00 P.M.
Shanghai	Shan	2.30 P.M.
Bangkok	Banks	4.00 P.M.
Manila	Swing	Saturday, 1st, 10.00 A.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Formosa	Awakura Maru	Sunday, 2nd, 9.00 A.M.
Saigon, Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. and S. Africa, Aden, Egypt and Europe via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 5th April	Angers	Monday, 3rd, Registration 1.45 P.M.
		Letters 2.30 P.M.
Swatow, Amoy and Foochow	Haichow	Tuesday, 4th, Noon
Amoy	Tyloboi	2.30 P.M.

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Telegraphic Transfer	166 1/2
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ON CALCUTTA.—	
Telegraphic Transfer	166 1/2
Bank Bills, on demand	166 1/2
ON SHANGHAI.—	
Bank Bills, at sight	nom.
Private, 30 days' sight	112 1/2
ON YOKOHAMA.—On demand	98 1/2
ON MANILA.—On demand	98 1/2
ON SINGAPORE.—On demand	133
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